

It is natural that the question of the army's establishment should be regarded one way by republicans and another way by democrats. Republicans sustain the President in his Philippine policy regardless of right, of the danger of imperialism, or of the cost or the misdeeds inflicted by it on the natives or on American soldiers. Even those republicans who in private admit that the government blundered into the war, are not willing to acknowledge it publicly and do the square, manly thing by allowing the Filipinos to govern the country in which they were born and live on. They are willing to allow the Mohammedans, polygamists and slaveholders, four or five millions, in number, to govern themselves in their own sweet way. The Filipinos, they propose to kill off until the rest submit. To do this requires an army of one hundred thousand men, and as they cannot foresee how long that job will last they object to any limitation in the date of the service. Most of the leaders would like to have a large standing army for other reasons. They want at the patronage and the increased power for the President. The railroad presidents and many of the corporations who help to keep the republicans in power want a big standing army in order to deal with strikers summarily. None of the republican leaders have any sentimental regard for the old Constitution and the old traditions of the fathers. These of the college professor class who are best acquainted with our early history and with the ideas of the fathers have travelled in Europe and are enamored of the British system of government. These people render a little lip service to the names of Washington, Hamilton, Jefferson and Madison, but a heart they are British. They have ceased to be patriotic Americans. British examples, British precedents, the colonial system and all the features and incidents of Empire have a magical and instantaneous effect on their minds. Putting all these things together we find the republicans merely a unit for a large standing army as a part of our system and a step towards the new government they are looking forward to. Many of them would favor conscription if necessary to get up this army.

The democratic creed is very different and has always been so. The old idea of the fathers of the government was a small standing army for peace and a reliance on the citizen soldiers and volunteers in case of war. A large army democrat justly regard as dangerous to liberty. In respect to labor troubles the democrats prefer to exhaust all methods of conciliation in preference to bayonets controlled by capitalists. The democrats also regard the Philippine war as both a blunder and a crime. They hold that it was wholly needless and grew out of an unjust attempt to deny to the Filipinos the very rights of self-governments for which we had insisted in Cuba and to secure which we had gone to war with Spain. The democracy of the country is the conservative people of the country, the real Christian element of the land. All want a cessation of blood-spilling in the Philippines. If the war is righteous and necessary, then there is some excuse for an army of one-hundred thousand regulars. If it lacks either justice or necessity, then every proper means should be employed to terminate hostilities. A large army is needed, except to carry out a colonial, imperial policy.

It follows, therefore, that all genuine democrats ought to vote against an increase of the regular army. If they vote for an increase of that army their political adversaries will insist that the democratic party is committed to the war. It is highly important not only to the best interests of the country but to the party interests that the democratic party should stand together firmly and oppose an increase of the regular army. They should also, we think, formulate some general proposition looking to peace upon the basis of the independence of the islands under an American protectorate and a suitable provision for American interests. There may be a question possibly as to whether an opposition party is bound to offer a substitute policy which they would not have the opportunity to administer, but in the matter of opposing a scheme to run our regular army up from 25,000 men to 100,000 or upwards, to carry out a policy involving fifty millions of taxes per annum, there can be no doubt as to the duty of every democratic Senator and Representative. The democracy cannot, without injury and discredit, afford to share with the republicans the responsibility for this abominable policy.

Some republicans insisted that after the election, Aguinaldo would give up and the war would be stopped. The speaker said that the silver question was the great, supreme issue, and this false cry helped them to the majority they won on the 6th inst.

Washington, November 29.

The American Federation of Labor, whose headquarters are here, will hold their 20th annual convention at Louisville, next Thursday.

Among the propositions to be disposed of is one for making the A. F. of L. to obliterate saloon employment agencies; the withdrawal of union patronage from shoe retailers who handle shoes that carry anything in imitation of the union stamp; for the general inauguration of an eight-hour working day on May 1, 1901; one complaining that the Brewery Workers Union, by retaining engineers, firemen, machinists, coopers, team drivers etc., in their union prevent these from affiliating with the legitimate union of their trade.

Expert Accountant Lawler, who went to Cuba to examine the accounts of Rathbone and Neely, has completed his report and it is in the hands of Secretary Corman, who will not make it public unless especially ordered to do so by Congress. It shows a startling condition of affairs and the diversion of large amounts of money into the pockets of Neely and his colleagues. Rathbone is said to be severely criticized. One of the paragraphs is devoted to the relations of Neely with certain local company of Indianapolis and he is said to have received a check for awarding it a word has been received from Indianapolis.

While no direct evidence has been received from Germany, the indications are strong that she is preparing to abandon her "blood or war" policy in China as she alone of the great powers is disposed to insist upon the extreme measures agreed. Expediency, it is believed, will govern the powers. Because of his power over the Chinese Court, through the large army at his beck and call, Gen. Tung Fu Shiang will probably escape punishment at all. Prince Tuan will be imprisoned for life and the other princes and mandarins will be imprisoned, degraded or banished practically as they pleased in the imperial edicts issued some while ago.

Minister Wu will indulge in turkey today, as the guest of an American friend. "We have a thanksgiving day in China," he said, "but it is at the end of each year. At the beginning of the year we go to the joss house, and pray before an idol for a successful year. At the end of the year we have our thanksgiving. Then we sacrifice pork and chickens. Our ceremonies are very impressive."

The prevalent impression here on the subject is that Mr. Yerkes, the republican candidate for Governor of Kentucky at the recent election, will be appointed to fill the vacancy in the office of commissioner of internal revenue, caused by the death of Mr. Wilson. The President, being a wise politician, wants to quit the obnoxious Kentucky republicans, and, in order to do so, will give them as much official patronage as is possible.

Senator Martin and Representative Hay joined the other Virginia Congressmen here today. Neither of them, however, yet announce at least, the thing to recommend, or ought set down as malice."

A Northern republic member of the House now here says he doesn't think the oleomargarine bill will be passed at the coming session. It proposes to tax the oles ten cents a pound if it be colored, so as to increase its price to that of pure butter, which will be solely to protect oleo industry at the expense of another, and no for revenue, and would therefore be unconstitutional.

People here from West Virginia say they don't believe the dispatch that ex-congressman Walker and Mr. D. A. Bayle are trying to have United States Attorney Alderson removed for the west, as he has any way managed to get one of the other Gen. Walker had Mr. Alderson appointed, and is surely not going to try to remove him. Mr. Bayle is the present assistant attorney, and is not likely to engage in the effort. He said he had, it will be remembered, who said he had eaten a bushel of dirt for General Mahone and would eat a bushel more.

A Southern Senator, here today, says the President is as astute a politician as can be found in his party, and, as such, knows that the wisest course, for the present, now that he has secured the election for four more years, and maybe longer, is to be as conciliatory as possible, and that, therefore, the more vehement South-haters in Congress will be given to understand that moderation and not violence is the order of the day. He wants a quiet administration, at least so far as this country is concerned, and will do all he can to effect that object.

Today is observed here as a general holiday. All the federal and district offices are closed, and most of the stores were, at noon. The weather was damp and cool, and not many people were on the streets, but thousands went to the race track.

The race horse people here are in a dilemma. But the Jockey club has their assistants and jockeys to quail the Western Turf Congress if it shall exclude the horses that may run here till the 8th inst, as it has proposed to do.

The rumor about Mr. Wayne McVeagh being out of place in Mr. McKinley's Cabinet is denied by a Cabinet member.

LION AND LIONESS FIGHT.—There was a terrible fight in Jacksonville, Fla., Tuesday morning between Nellie and Barum, the lion and lioness in F. Ferar's animal show. The entire neighborhood was aroused at an early hour by the deep roars of Barum, and it was not long before the keepers and other attendants of the show found the cause of the trouble. Nellie had presented her handsome mate with four magnificent kittens. When in captivity the male lion always endeavors to kill any of the young ones, and the big fellow had begun his work by killing one of the kittens before the attendants could reach him. Seeing her little one destroyed Nellie became enraged and a battle ensued. The two animals were confined in the same cage, and took the combined efforts of six men to separate them, but the little kitten was killed in a place of safety.

COURT OF APPEALS.

The following were the proceedings of the Court of Appeals in Richmond Tuesday.

Notting vs. National Bank of Virginia. Argued by John B. Minor for appellees, and Judge George Christian for appellants, and continued until tomorrow.

The next case to be heard is the Norfolk and Western Railway company vs. Mann, No. 14 on the argument docket.

The Court was not in session today, Thanksgiving Day. No opinions will, therefore, be handed down until next Thursday.

The New Zealand government is importing sixty modern railway cars from the United States.

The Baltimore Board of Estimates yesterday fixed the tax rate for 1901 at \$1.95 on the \$100.

Secretary Root has approved the bill reorganizing the army upon a basis of a maximum of 96,000 men and a minimum of 58,000.

Rear Admiral Frederick Vaillette McNair, United States navy, died yesterday afternoon at his home in Washington of an apoplectic stroke.

A Paris dispatch says that France will not take the lead in intervention in South Africa, but will join any other country which begins the effort in a proper manner.

Capt. Richard P. Leary, former governor of Guam, has been ordered to take command of the receiving ship Albatross, stationed at the League Island navy yard.

According to Senator Forsaker, Senators Lodge will be the new Chairman of the foreign relations committee of the Senate to succeed the late Senator Cushman K. Davis.

Louis Sachs was found guilty yesterday in Baltimore of selling adulterated food—sausages which, as testified by City Chemist Lehmann, had been colored by the use of aniline dyes.

The proposed State constabulary bill designed to place the police of New York city under State control, has been abandoned by the leaders of the republican party, Governor-elect Odell opposed the measure.

Mrs. Marian Rebecca Brown, widow of Rev. R. Temple Brown, for many years rector of Christ Episcopal Church, Rockville, Md., died yesterday at her home, near Silver Spring, of general debility, aged eighty-three years.

The President's message may not go to Congress until Tuesday. If both Houses wish to show especial honor to the memory of Senator Davis they may adjourn as soon as they meet on Monday. The Senate is very likely to do so.

The marriage of Miss Grace James Norris, daughter of Mr. James L. Norris, and Mr. Arthur Rue Gorman, jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur P. Gorman, took place at the New York Avenue Church in Washington yesterday evening.

As stated yesterday the British are uneasy on account of Boer activity in Cape Colony, and reinforcements are being demanded by Lord Roberts. General De Wet and President Steyn are near De Wetsoord, preparatory to a descent on Cape Colony.

Mr. Andrew Barbour, one of the oldest citizens of the District, died at his residence, in Washington yesterday. He was born in Georgetown in 1820, where his grandfather, Bernard Barbour, a representative of one of the original families of Maryland, had settled in 1781.

Hon. W. J. Bryan in an article published in a New York magazine decries the result of the recent election. He says war is a fear of change and that the war party were factors. Enormous power of trusts, he says, can now swing any close political contest. The struggle for equal rights will continue. Spencer Williams, a negro gambler, was lynched by a mob at Lake City, Fla., Tuesday. He was tied fast to a tree and shot to pieces by the angry crowd. Then his body was taken to Lake City and placed on exhibition in the court house yard. He had recently shot City Marshall Strange and William Strickland.

A commit tee representing the Hanna republic club, of Cleveland O., which recently passed resolutions endorsing Senator Hanna as a candidate for re-election in 1904, called upon the State Senator courteously declined the honor and said: "I am growing old, and expect to retire after my senatorial term expires."

The question of presenting an ultimatum to China is now the subject under consideration by the powers. The United States and Japan being especially opposed to using so strong a term in the formal demand to be handed to the Chinese envoys. The German government shows symptoms of retreating from its demand for the infliction of the death penalty upon the ringleaders of the anti-foreign movement.

Finding themselves unable to produce enough contract No. 2 corn to fill sales made to George H. Phillips for November delivery, the shorts including several leading elevator firms, it was announced yesterday on the Chicago Board of Trade, had agreed to settle their shortage at 60c. As soon as the announcement of this arrangement was made there was a slump in the price on the Chicago exchange to 41 cents per bushel. The man who manipulated the big deal realized profits running up into the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

On the appearance of the police frustrated attempt by a former colored em-ployee, to loot the hotel Carenson, at Atlantic City, N. J., Tuesday morning. The hotel is closed for the winter.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEVITIES.

Miss Daisy Post, who is to be married shortly to James Laurence Van Allen, will receive a valuable gift from her uncle, Frederick W. Vanderbilt, in the shape of a brand new house on 56th street, near Fifth avenue, at Yorkville, New York, yesterday, while talking along the railroad tracks. Mr. Skinner's reputation as an inventor of the looms for weaving tapestry, moquette, axminster and chenille carpets was world-wide.

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Anxiety is felt for the navy storebip Albatross, which left Manila for Guam on November 17. It is feared, has encountered the typhoon.

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are on the picketing line. The whites and negroes will be present at the extra session of the Virginia Legislature.

Mr. William T. Chapin, of Newport News, and Miss Elizabeth Lane Roy, daughter of Dr. W. S. Roy, were married at Front Royal yesterday.

At Orange County Court this week Judge Howell was indicted by the grand jury for killing his wife and the trial set for the December term of court.

Mr. Henry Wissner, a robust of Frederickburg, and Miss Nannie F. Dipp, of Caroline county, were married at Round Oak Church, in that county, yesterday afternoon.

The consolidation of the Seaboard Air Line and the Southern Railway is the latest subject of rumor and gossip in railroad circles. There is probably no foundation for the rumor.

The Interstate Commerce Commission yesterday dismissed the petition for rehearing in the case of the city of Danville, against the Southern Railway Company and others, decided last February against the railroad company.

Rev. Landon R. Mason, rector of Grace Episcopal church, of Richmond, has received a call to the pastorate of St. James church, Wilmington, N. C., left vacant by Dr. S. Range's acceptance of the call to St. Paul's church Richmond.

Mr. Wan. H. Brown, one of the oldest, best-known and wealthiest men in central Loudoun, died at his old homestead, where he resided with his son, Mr. Joshua Brown, between Lincoln and North Fork, on Monday night, aged about 85 years.

The barn of Edward Wills, a farmer living near Mr. Olive, Shenandoah county, was burned yesterday afternoon. In trying to save some stock Wills fell in the fire and was badly burned before he was rescued. His remains may prove fatal.

The City Council of Fredericksburg, at a meeting last night, passed a resolution authorizing the immediate construction of a sewerage system, embracing a large portion of the city, and also the paving with vitrified brick or granite blocks several of its principal streets.

At St. Andrew's Chapel, Montross, in Vestmoreland county, yesterday, Miss Elizabeth Walker, eldest daughter of the late William Walker, and Rev. Frank Burruss, member of the Virginia Methodist Episcopal Conference, now stationed at Ridgeway, Henry county, were married.

I am reported in Bristol that Gen. James A. Walker, ex-Congressman from the Virginia district, after having twice been defeated for reelection to Congress by Judge W. F. Rhea, is a candidate to succeed Judge T. M. Alderson as United States attorney for the Western district of Virginia.

At Shepherds in this State, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning, Miss Mattie Carter, the youngest daughter of the late James D. Carter, and Mr. Wyatt Gaudner were married. The opposition of the family of the bride caused the ceremony to take place outdoors. Beneath an immense oak not far from the parent of the young couple were united. The bride is an unusually pretty girl and the groom a prominent young man of the county.

At a meeting of the McKinley-Roosevelt Club, in Carroll'sville, on Tuesday night, Capt. J. H. Rives, an applicant for the postoffice at that place, made some statements reflecting on Gen. Rosser's course during the recent campaign. Gen. Rosser took offense, and after sharp words had been exchanged, left the room.

As he did so, a lively personal encounter ensued, which was finally terminated by the interference of friends. Captain Rives at once withdrew from the club.

Wm. Woodson, who is to be hanged in the penitentiary at Richmond on December 19, had a big Thanksgiving dinner. The Court officers yesterday refused him a writ of error, and he upon request of the prison authorities, told him he could have anything he wished for today's dinner. He ordered wine oysters, turkeys, fish, cigars and other luxuries. His crime was the stabbing to death on May 19 of Ambrose Farabee, a fellow-prisoner.

TORTURED TO DEATH.

Yesterday night the health officers of Catlettsburg, Ky., started to investigate a smallpox case supposed to be in the home of John Gibson, a laborer, living in the eastern limits. They entered and found Mrs. Gibson seated in the first room rocking a child less than month old to sleep at her breast. The officers passed into the next room and were unable to see any indication of sickness. They called for a light, and upon the door was a spectacle almost too awful for portrayal.

Almost naked, lay the body of a golden-haired girl scarcely 3 years old. Its frail body had been crushed through and through, though stabbed again and again. Its leg was broken and from its tiny feet the toes were burned. Across and up and down its back were great scars but the face of the child wore the truest marks of the diabolical work.

Over the cheek, across the forehead, above the lips and about the dimpled neck were deep black scars which told of the awful torture which was the amusement of the inhuman brute who inflicted it. On the breast, with the point in the ashes, lay the poker, the instrument which, when heated, had inflicted the terrible wounds.

The woman sat at once taken into custody. At first stolidly impassive and utterly unconcerned, she refused to speak, and finally said that it had been the amusement of her husband, John Gibson, the stepfather of the child, when returning home from work, to burn the baby girl. A few hours before death had come to save the child from further torture.

The news was like fire to a powder magazine. Instantly the town was aroused and possses went in search of the demon. All day long have scoured the country. Tuesday afternoon bloodhounds were brought to the aid and last night their deep baying could be heard far up the mountain of Big Sandy river. No satisfaction is made of the fact that as soon as captured justice will be meted out to Gibson at the stake. The best citizens of the town openly say that death by burning at the stake is too good for him. The trouble has been to keep out the size of the possses, everyone being anxious to aid in rididng humanity of this monster.

A tip was given Chief Yost of Catlettsburg this morning, as to Gibson's hiding place, and it is believed he will be captured and the night. He is reported to be heavily armed. The child was burned today. The talk here is that Gibson will never see the inside of the jail.

London, Nov. 29.—It is reported that the War Office that President Steyn was last reported as having been with General Da Wet in the eastern part of the Transvaal. Portuguese heard that they were to enter their territory.

Capetown, Nov. 29.—The Cape Government has ordered the railways to make excursion rates to Worcester on the occasion of the meeting of the Afrikaner Bond there. December. The probability is increasing that the meeting will be prohibited.

London, Nov. 29.—D-spatters. Capetown report that General Da Wet by rapid marching, has frustrated an attempt of General Da Wet to capture Colony. Koox brought him to the front of the Boers and they forced to retreat to the west. A number of skirmishes are reported along the Orange river.

Removed Plan for Intervention.

Paris Nov. 29.—President Poincaré will have an interview with M. de Cassel, the Minister of Foreign Affairs today. It is reported on reliable authority that the Boer chief of state thoroughly developed plan for intervention, the strength of which commanded the attention of the foreign office.

The Hague, Nov. 29.—It is stated today that President Kruger is to go to Cologne on Saturday, and proceed to Berlin, on Tuesday morning. Speculation is rife as to the manner which Kruger will be received by the German Government, and whether he will obtain an interview with Kaiser.

Vienna Nov. 29.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg says the Russian Foreign Minister, Count Lamsdorf, has come to see President Kruger and discuss the subject of intervention.

Denounce "Disorganized Forces."

New York, Nov. 29.—(One hundred members of the New York vegetable society met last night to give vent to that today they would eat no potatoes. Not even the mention of cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie could stir their appetites for those articles which were denounced as "disorganized forces" and an abomination. One of the speakers told of the remarkable reports in the New England press. Here the society groaned with discontent. There seemed to be no other way out of the matter which they lay at the door of the butchers, required somewhat of a sweepstake to trace the civil war to the prevalence of a pie diet, but they seemed to satisfy his auditors on the point. He found that the descendants of the Fathers had a poor diet, and were once again, the past history of the cause to give up their lives or sell to cause human chattels in the North pay a good return on the investment. Yankees then insisted that the route was to give up slaves and that brother in the North interfere in the procedure and doughnuts.

Brutal Tactics.

London, Nov. 29.—Dispatches from Peking under date of Nov. 28, depict more brutal tactics on the part of the Germans. Von Kessler's column, three day's march from Peking, Catholic boy convert in a village directed the soldiers to some boxers. There were 28 of them. Four were sent to be leaders. Upon their identification, the Chinese were at once sentenced to death. The leaders were shown dead by the soldier. The fourth tried to escape, was chased around and finally died. The other 13 Chinamen were made to kneel in a row and a squad of soldiers then advanced and shot them in the back.

From Havana.

Gov. Wood is severely criticized for failing to issue the usual Thanksgiving proclamation. He claims it was oversight.

Sam Small, the evangelist, and Hugh Carr, the correspondent with charged with swindling, are not jail here without much prospect of getting out unless Gov. Wood is special pardon. The habes corpus in Cuba does not take effect in December.

Sixty cases of fever are reported today.

Improper Medical Treatment.

New York, N. Y. 29.—A scolding of the navy's medical service is likely to develop as a result of the death of Lieut. Francis Joy Haezler, of battleship Kearsage, on Nov. 20, Brooklyn navy yard. It is said that many friends of the lieutenant thought life might have been saved had he received different medical treatment. Haezler was stricken with typhoid fever but the naval surgeons, it is alleged, treated him for malaria and he died, realizing until too late the seriousness of his lieutenant's condition. He was one of the brightest officers in the navy.

Foreign News.

Tien Tsin, Nov. 29.—The Fifth U. S. Infantry, which left Peking on 10, started for Taku today. They embark shortly for Manila.

Short in His Accounts.

Cincinnati, Nov. 29.—A shortage of 900 has been discovered in the accounts of the late George B. Griffiths, who was of the Board of Education for 13 years. It was known as "Honest George" and the deep and sincere mourning when he died was gone over the accounts. It was discovered the Griffiths kept two sets of books, one for the public and one for himself. His salary began as small as soon as he was elected, grew steadily year by year till he died.

The December number of the monthly issue of Town Topics has received from its publishers in New York. It is the complete novel, which entitled the "The Food of Love," doubtless be interesting to those who like such food.

Chamberlain's Palm Balm Cures Coughs, Who Not Who?

My wife has been using Chamberlain's Palm Balm, with good results, for a lame shoulder that has pained her continually for nine years. We have used all kinds of medicines and doctors, not receiving any benefit from a single one. One day we saw an advertisement of this medicine and thought we would try it, which we did with the result that she has used only one bottle and her shoulder is almost cured.

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\$4.60 to Richmond and Return.

On account of the meeting of the Lodge of Virginia, A. F. & A. M., to be held at Richmond, Va., on December 29 to Dec. 5, go to return until Dec. 10, inclusive.

Prince Georges County; William Shea, William Tod Fox, Herbert Boteler and Leo Smith, charged with felonious assault upon Lucy Hart, of Branchville, was concluded at La Plata, Md., last night by a verdict of "not guilty."

The jury was out hal an hour. The jurors took one ballot and the result was unanimously agreed upon.

When the verdict was announced in court, Mrs. Smith, mother of Leo Smith, sprang from her seat and threw both arms around her boy, crying: "You are free." She held fast to her son while tears of joy ran down her cheeks.

The prisoners were discharged at once by the Court, and they were all heartily congratulated on their acquittal.

Sheriff Edward T. Shea said he had expected acquittal from the first, as he knew they were not guilty.

The verdict meets with general approval and ends one of the most notable trials ever held in Charles County.

Each of the defendants—Edward T. Shea, William Tod Fox, William Shea, Leo Smith and Herbert Boteler—took the stand in their defense. Fox testified that he had been intimate with Lucy Hart the evening of Sunday, September 23, but it was with her consent. Also that she went with him voluntarily, telling her little niece, Annie and Edie Cunningham to remain until she came back. All the others positively denied ever molesting the girl in any manner. Each of the accused testified as to his whereabouts on the day of the alleged assault, denying that anything took place between him and Miss Hart, save a short conversation which had been held on the roadside of the hill above Roger Smith's house.

THE YOSEMITE GOES DOWN.

A terrific typhoon swept over the Island of Guam on November 13, demolishing thousands of dwellings, including Governor Sason Schroeder's headquarters. The towns of Idorajan and Terrafoo were obliterated. It is estimated that hundreds of natives were killed. The coconut crops for four years have been ruined, and the vegetation of the island has been killed by the water.

The United States auxiliary cruiser Yosemite parted her cables during the typhoon off the harbor of San Luis d' Apra, drifted 60 miles and struck a reef. She had labored so heavily that she had sprung a leak, and all hands, including her commander, Lieutenant Bieres, and the chief engineer worked heroically in trying to clear her of the water that was pouring into and rapidly filling the forward compartments.

After the violence of the storm had subsided efforts were made to start the engine. They were finally got to work, and the Yosemite with her damaged propeller, struggled landward at the rate of two knots an hour. The water kept gaining in the hold and the ship was gradually sinking.

At 1:30 p. m., November 15, the Justin, which had started in search of the Yosemite, picked her up and attempted to tow her back to Guam. Two hawsers were broken and it was decided that it was impossible to take her into port. The cruiser was then scuttled, after which she was abandoned, all hands going aboard the Justin. The Yosemite sank bow first at 3 o'clock, and the Justin stood away for Guam.

Five members of the crew were drowned. The Jus in rescued the remainder.

LETTER FROM PAGE.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]

Luray, Nov. 26.—The water works began some weeks ago, are now in full operation all along the line of five miles, from the start at the Dry Run falls at the base of the Bus Ridge to Luray, and unless something occurs now unforeseen, the water will be running into our town by the first of the new year. Its cost will be about \$50,000 and the contract under the management of E. A. Wilson.

Our new M. E. Church, only completed a little more than one year since, came very closely being burned a few days ago by fire originating from its furnace. The loss, as it now stands, is thought to be about \$1,500 fully covered by insurance.

A new building, a sanitarium, is being erected directly over the Caverns at this place for the treatment and cure of consumption. The air from the body of the Cave itself is to be utilized in the treatment of patients. It is said to be especially pure and suitable for the purpose, and for this a shaft will be dug from the surface into the Cave below, and over this shaft the buildings will be erected. Work has already been begun and is being rapidly pushed by the proprietors.

The recently erected acetylene gas plant is now supplying our town with light and gives very general satisfaction.

An unusually large number of buildings have been built in Luray during the past summer, some of them fine ones.

Another new project of interest to our people is the reopening and reworking of the copper mines at Sny Mag, near the Bus Ridge. The Sny Mag summer resort very fairly patronized during the past few years. These copper mines have attracted attention for a great number of years, but never with any success. It is now thought they will be fully opened by the new management and the copper found in paying quantities.

A bark plant started here a year or two ago by Mr. A. E. Shaffer is now doing a good business. This and the tannery of Deford & Co. will shortly make away with bark of all kinds in this county and from the Blue Ridge along an extensive stretch of country. Luray is coming to the front, and must in time become a place of growing industries.

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GREEN GINGER AND CLEANED CURRANTS just received by J. C. MILBURN.

MALT BREAKFAST FOOD just received by J. C. MILBURN.

MOTT'S SWEET CIDER, 20c gallon, at J. C. MILBURN'S.

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